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THE WAR IN SOUTH AFRICA.

A noteworthy circumstance connected with the war in South Africa is the disposition of the English people to ascribe the reverses of their troops there to the blunders of their commanders. Some one interviewed General Miles on the subject the other day, and he expressed the opinion that there was nothing surprising about the military events in South Africa, and that the inequality of conditions, unfavorable to the British, called for just what has happened.

General Miles did not say so, but no doubt he was thinking of the reverses which characterized the operations of the Northern troops in their invasion of the South in the war of 1861. In round numbers, the North put into the field during that war three millions of men, and the South six hundred thousand. That is, the Northern armies were five times as great as the Southern, and they required four years of unprecedented warfare to beat the latter. Apply the same ratio to the British and Boers, and it will be seen that if the Boers have 55,000 men in arms, as stated in the lowest estimates, the British should have 275,000 on the ground; or, if they have 85,000, as given in other estimates, the British should have 425,000 there. This takes no account of the inability of the English to ship their troops and supplies by through trains from England to the firing line on the Tugela or Modder, as the North did to their armies on the Rapidan and the Tennessee—an advantage so great that it is safe to say the conquest of the South would have been impossible without it.

It must be remembered that there are two bitterly hostile political parties in England, whose hostility finds no more congenial expression than in this very matter of the attitude of the home government to subject or semi-subject peoples. If we bear this in mind we may better understand what otherwise would appear to be the imbecility of Mr. Chamberlain. The stories about Kruger's entertaining the British spies, before the war, with evidences of Boer weakness, exhibiting antiquated arms and concealing the Creuzots and Krupps with which his artillerymen have been outranging the British, will do for the marines. Kruger had every reason to magnify his resources in order to prevent war. It is also made known, now, that General Butler, the former British commander in South Africa, was withdrawn in semi-disgrace because he persisted in reporting to the home government the truth about the Boer strength in men, money and equipment.

The truth, it seems to us, is that Mr. Chamberlain knew that the English Liberals would be able to prevent the war if the British taxpayers had been informed beforehand of the enormous cost of the undertaking. Therefore he minimized its difficulties, knowing full well that if he could only get blood to flowing (somebody else's blood than his own, of course), patriotism would do the rest, and in the end strengthen the imperial hand. We have witnessed the same manœuvre by Mr. McKinley in the Philippines.

There is nothing surprising about the British reverses. It would be surprising if they had not happened. It is plain that Buller was forced forward against his judgment, as the Northern generals were in our war, for he made a poiat of saying, in his official report of the Tugela battle, that he had attacked with his *whole strength*.

Remarkable Shooting.

The following is the score made by the Lumber Bridge Light Infantry on December 22nd, 1899:

Capt. J. D. Cobb,	5 4 4 4 5—22
Lieut. J. W. Hall,	5 5 5 5 4—24
First Sergt. T. E. Clifton,	4 4 0 5 5—18
Sergt. N. L Graham,	3 3 4 4 4—18
Corp. W. W. Smith,	3 5 3 3 5—19
Corp. J. McJohnson,	3 5 3 0 0—11
Private M. D. Everet,	4 4 4 3 4—19
Private W. J. Everett,	4 4 4 4 5—21
Private J. R. Chason,	5 4 4 4 4—21
Private D. P. Shaw,	4 4 5 5 4—22
Private D. J. Shaw,	2 4 4 4 4—18
Private J. B. Coppage,	5 3 5 5 5—23
Private J. D. Jackson,	4 5 4 5 4 22
Private D. R. Graham,	0 0 2 4 3— 9
Private J. Owen,	3 1 4 4 5—18
Private J. E. McMillan,	5 3 4 4 4—20
Private K. K. Bledsoe,	4 5 3 2 4—18
Private J. H. Jackson,	3 3 5 4 5—20
Private J. L. Smith,	5 3 5 5 4—22
Private R. B. Owens,	2 5 2 3 5—17
Private W. J. Hulon,	4 2 0 3 3—12
Private H. L. McBryde,	4 4 4 4 5—21
Private M. B. McBryde,	0 3 4 5 2—14
Private T. F. Graham,	4 0 0 3 4—11
Private J. E. Blount,	3 3 2 3 3—14
Private S. Barlow,	3 0 3 5 4—15
Private J. Hall,	3 0 0 0 5— 8
Private M. Tolar,	0 0 2 3 0— 5

A Chapter of Accidents at Elizabethtown

On Thursday night the little village of Elizabethtown celebrated the Christmas holidays by a display of fireworks. As a result several men were injured. John Haywood's right hand was blown to pieces, and Dr. Robinson thinks it will have to be amputated. Jake Butler, son of Robt. Butler, the mail carrier, also had a hand badly shattered and lost a fore finger. Had Barnwell had a 13-inch cannon cracker to explode at his right leg, badly bruising it and breaking into the skin. The Postal Cable Co.'s operator, Mr. H. C. Sullivan, had a finger badly injured and there were numerous minor casualties to others.

Messrs. J. A. and W. W. McDougald, sons of Capt. D. McDougald, formerly of this county but for the past ten years a resident of Statesboro, Ga., are here on a visit.

Miss DeVane has resigned her position as head nurse at the Marsh-Highsmith Sanitarium.

Annual Exhibit of Cumberland Co.

Claims audited and allowed by the Board of County Commissioners of Cumberland County during the year commencing with December 1st, 1898, and ending November 30, 1899.

OUTSIDE POOR—BURIAL EXPENSES.

J R McNeill & Sons, coffins,	$5 50
W P Blackman "	1 50
J R McNeill & Sons "	8
Warren Drake "	2 50
J R McNeill & Sons "	7 50
Same "	8
Same "	4
Fayetteville Drug Store drugs,	1 20
J R McNeill & Sons coffin,	1 50
Same "	2 50
B E Sedberry & Sons drugs,	10 13
J W Faircloth digging grave,	1 50
J B Troy coffin, medicine C F Dettmar,	17 50
J R McNeill & Sons coffins	2 10
N E Bunting medicines,	5 35
	78 78

OUTSIDE POOR.

Armstrong, Lewis	$ 6
Barge, J H	6
Blanton, Mrs	18
Bailey, Burwell	13
Branch, Isaac and wife	22 50
Bailey, Betsy	8
Bowling, Beady A	8
Burton, Chas	4
Brock, Lizzie	3
Britt, Sarah	1
Cashwell, Richard	12
Campbell, Bridgett	9
Cashwell, J H	10
Carmichael, Betsy	9
Corbett, Eliza	1
Donnon, Delaney	12
Davis, Allen	3
" Sarah	2
" Mrs H C	5 50
Evans, Sarah	1
" Violet	18
" Hannah	4
Eason, Jno	4
Edwards, Wm	5
Faircloth, Thos and wife	24
" J W	10
Graham, Wm	12
" Caroline	4
Green, Thos	16 50
" G B	5
Godwin, Jesse	7
Godwin, Jesse	7
Gardner, Aby	1
Gillis, Isaac	6
Hudson children	60 50
Heithcock, Henderson	24
Hollingsworth, M J	18
Hair, Martha	12
Hodges, Sarah	18
Howell, Margaret	7
Hayes, David	6
Hargrave, Charlotte	1
Hardwick, Martha	1
Hall, Rachel	2
Johnson, Charlotte	10
Jones, Charles	10
" David	13 50
" Allie	13 50
Johnson, Mary L	6
Lovett, John	12
Lucus, Polly	12
Lovett, Eliza	12
Lee, Harry	2
Lockamy, J B	1
Mason, Levi	12
Melvin, Sam	12
Manuel, Gideon	12
Munroe, Whit	12
Mazingo, Lizzie	4
Murdock, John	10
Minter, Gerrie	12
Mitchell, James	4 50
Murdock, Lewis	5
McKinnon, Van	12
McArthur, E	12
McIntyre, Thos	12
McMillan, Kate	12
McKay, Thos	12
McLaurin, Esther	6
McKay, Lucy	9
McCullen, Adlaide	9
McDougald, John	8
McPherson, Dan'l	7
McAllister, Amos	5
McPaerson, Bell	5
McDaniel, Grace	3
Ochiltree, John	10
Powell, J P	14
Phillips, Patsy	18
Powers, Lizzie	11
Pope, Dorcas	10
" E L	10
Parker, Amos and wife	5
Riley, Martha	15
Ray, Jane	9
Strickland, Becky	12
Seawell, Hattie	12
Starling, Martha	16 50
Smith, Mary	16
Smith, M N	12
Shaw, Mary	12
Smith, Jane	10 50
Smith, D O	3 50
Stewart, John	4
Taylor, Nancy	18
Terry, Solomon	5
Wilson, Christian	12
Wood, Ann	18
Whitfield, Eliza	4
Wallace, Dan	24
White, Caarity	5
Woodall, Sarah	5
	$1,006 00

HOME OF AGED AND INFIRM.

McNeill, J R & Sons, coffins	$20 50
Thornton Dry G's Co., supplies	17 76
McDuffie, W C & Co., drugs	24 70
Malloy, W B., supplies	22 68
Evans, J & O., supplies	57 56
Vann, J C., supplies	38 52
Autry, M B., manager, salary	39 80
Autry, Mrs D B., sewing for inmates	2 40
Haigh, Charles, supplies	62 20
McFadgen, A B., manager, salary and extra labor	295 05
McFadgen, Mrs A B., sewing	8 50
Huske, A S., supplies	19 37
Cook, A J & Co., drugs	43 29
McKethan, A J., drugs	31 17
Garrason, A., supplies	38 83
Clark, W G., supplies	31 69
Maultsby & Maultsby, supplies	3 00
C F Dry Goods Co., supplies	13 96
Vann, T C., supplies	5 51
Horne, H R., drugs	14 33
Burns, J A & Co., supplies	2 00
McDonald, W J., tobacco	4 18
Ray, D H & Co., supplies	34 11
Hollingsworth & Co., supplies	1 50
Nimocks, Q K., supplies	30 73
King Bros., drugs	43 30
Sedberry & Sons, drugs	34 00
Prior, R M., supplies	32 23
Rankin, A E Co., supplies	28 14
	$1,001 01

ROADS.

J J Pate, serving road orders	$ 3 60
D M N Clark, do do	2 00
Angus Ray, do do	1 20
J C Culbreth, do do	2 40
J H Buckingham do do	60
J H Fields do do	1 20
McD Geddie do do	60
C F Dry G's Co., sup. for convicts	6 11
Bond & Kennedy, roller	13 75
Walter Watson, materials	57 75
W G Clark, materials	3 42
Huske's Hardware House, tools,	4 50
G A Burns, board of convict guards and manager,	7 50
Walter Watson, material	8 25
J T McKay, do	6 00
J A Burns & Co., supplies	18 90
A B Williams, expenses to road congress	25 00
Bullard & Sons, lumber	5 06
J J Pate, serving road orders	3 00
R J Baker, do do	4 20
J H Buckingham do do	6 60
Angus Ray do do	3 00
J H Fields, do do	00
D G Blue, do do	6 50
J C Culbreth, do do	6 00
E T Watson, material,	3 10
Thos H Maultsby, hauling pipe,	1 50
D A Bryant,	1 75
T L Matthews,	10 07
A B Williams, to road congress,	25 00
	$239 16

JAIL.

Frank Thornton Dry Gooda Co., supplies,	$31 50
D A McMillan, supplies	6 50
J & O Evans, "	2 25
McD Geddie, sheriff, feeding prisoners,	142 55
G A Burns, sheriff, feeding prisoners,	94 75
Fayetteville Ice Factory, coal,	16 50
" " " "	13 88
" " " "	16 50
G A Burns, sheriff, feeding prisoners,	99 90
Fayetteville W L & Power Co., water,	24 42
S Sheetz & Sons, supplies,	13 10
Huske H House, locks,	1 00
C F Dry Goods Co., blankets,	32 55
S W Tillinghast, repairing pipes	6 00
G A Burns, sheriff, coal and wood,	6 25
Fayetteville Ice Co., coal and wood,	37 40
G A Burns, sheriff, feeding prisoners,	93 45
G A Burns, sheriff, coal and wood,	8 30
S W Tillinghast, repairs,	5 25
John Roddick, "	3 10
G. A. Burns, sheriff, supplies, 3 50	
" " " feeding prisoners,	82 10
Bond & Kennedy, repairs,	1 25
G A Burns, sheriff, feeding prisoners,	106 50
G A Burns, sheriff, coal	3 05
W J Ayers, repairs,	1 50
Fayetteville W L & Power Co., water,	37 48
James Tucker, brick work	1 50
Fayetteville W L & Power Co., water,	37 48
Huske H House, supplies,	1 00
McMillan Bros., repairs,	12 70
G A Burns, sheriff, feeding prisoners,	113 05
G A Burns, sheriff, paid labor,	1 50
G A Burns, sheriff, feeding prisoners,	93 35
S W Tillinghast, repairs,	2 50
Huske H House, materials	1 50
G A Burns, sheriff, feeding prisoners,	98 50
Fayetteville W L & Power Co., water,	49 31
Ed D. Pigford,	3 25
Huske H House, cement,	1 50
West Disinfecting Co., disinfectants,	53 00
Bond & Kennedy, repairs,	3 75
G A Burns, sheriff, feeding prisoners,	114 59
G A Burns, sheriff, supplies, coal, &c.,	98 50
W R Clark, mattresses,	3 00
Walter Watson, materials,	35
G A Burns, sheriff, paid labor,	1 25
G A Burns, sheriff, feeding prisoners,	114 75
Bond & Kennedy, repairs,	25 00
Sheetz & Sons, supplies,	5 50
S W Tillinghast, repairs,	4 75
McMillan Bros., "	1 50
Chas Haigh, nails, &c.,	8 25
	$1,741 86

ASYLUMS.

McD Geddie, carrying lunatics to Asylum,	10 40
G A Burns, for same,	14 10
J J McMillan, for same,	10 00
Evison Wicker, for same,	9 50
Dan'l Reid, for same,	10 30
McD Geddie, for same, several,	143 00
I W Carter, conveying children to D. and D. Asylum,	35 00
C P Overby,	3 00
G A Bullard, carrying lunatic to Asylum,	13 05
J J McMillan,	7 00
	$255 35

COURTS.

McDuffie Geddie, summoning jurors,	$12 20
C Murphy, revising jury,	6 00
J M Goddard, team for grand jury.	5 00
A A McKethan, dockets,	29 00
G A Burns sheriff, summoning jurors,	26 20
A A McKethan, dockets,	26 10
Edwards & Broughton, record books,	9 40
Jacob Campbell, bringing prisoner to jail,	5 00
A A McKethan, dockets,	4 98
G A Burns sheriff, summoning jurors,	28 00
G A Burns sheriff, team for grand jury,	5 00
G A Burns sheriff, holding four courts,	60 00
A A McKethan, x indexing wills,	73 20
N E Williams, jury	3 10
A A McKethan, dockets,	22 81
G A Burns sheriff, carrying prisoner to Cameron,	14 82
G A Burns sheriff, summoning jurors,	18 81
A A McKethan, recording,	4 00
A A McKethan, dockets,	21 50
	$375 12

INSOLVENT ACCOUNT, FEB'Y TERM, 1899.

John Jones,	witnesses,	14 85
W H Flowers	do	55 00
T B McAllister	do	2 50
W W Autry	do	11 90
J H Marsh	do	1 55
Jno Goddard	do	2 55
T C Vann	do	1 60
John Brown	do	3 05
Henry Williams	do	5 10
Sylvia Booker	do	6 10
Joe McKay	do	2 75
Jane Chapman	do	2 75
Adam Gilchrist,	do	2 60
J J Pate	do	8 30
W B Coats	do	8 20
Ro Marsh	do	7 20
Niven McLaurin	do	1 05
E E Sikes	do	1 05
W H Flowers	do	55
Ed Williams	do	55
T C Vann	do	55
Chas Armstrong	do	55
Jno W Maultsby	do	6 65
Hector Baker	do	2 80
Jacob Campbell	do	2 80
Chris'r Campbell	do	2 80
Sarah Jane Alston	do	2 80
Dr A P Dickson	do	3 30
Mary Riddick	do	2 55
S W Hall	do	3 80
M H Starling	do	3 60
J H Fields	do	2 05
A A McKethan C S C	fees	64 72
C Murphy ex C S C	do	42 07
G A Burns sheriff,	do	13 90
McD Geddie ex sheriff	do	13 05
Geo B McLeod sheriff (Robeson)	do	30
C M McLean, solicitor,	do	35 00
W H Flowers, chief police	do	9 70
J H Benton ass't	do	1 40
D N McLean, J P	do	4 80
W S Cook	do	2 55
C P Overby	do	5 45
J C Currie	do	65
J B Williams	do	75
W J McRaney	do	1 30
J J Pate, constable	do	1 40
J C Culbreth, "	do	2 35
J W Maultsby, "	do	4 35
Simeon Dockery, "	do	1 25
Jacob Campbell, "	do	1 00
		$324 99

INSOLVENT ACCOUNT, MARCH TERM, '99.

C Murphy, ex-C. S. C., fees		14 98
A A McKethan, C. S. C., fees		4 38
McD Geddie, ex sheriff, fees		15 85
G A Burns, sheriff, fees		2 70
E T Turner, sheriff, fees		1 05
J M Mashburn, sheriff, fees		1 20
J R Register, deputy, fees		15
W K Pigford, C. S. C., fees,		6 57
J T Cooper, M. D., expert		20 00
W H Scott, expert		8 13
C P Overby, J P., fees		2 65
J M Mashburn, sheriff, fees		18 60
Same, sheriff, fees		1 00
J J Pate,	witness	23 20
Gilbert McDonald,	do	1 30
D C Barber,	do	1 20
W B Coats,	do	4 75
Jas. Pate,	do	16 40
W E Butler,	do	13 92
Lewis Devane,	do	1 25
Peter Cromartie,	do	6 30
W C Reddick,	do	1 30
Jno R Smith,	do	8 30
Jas. Cogdell,	do	11 40
Jno. Cogdell,	do	8 33
N A Johnson,	do	2 50
J V McGougan,	do	55
Mitchel Melvin,	do	1 30
C A Cogdell,	do	14 92
J K Kinlaw,	do	10 00
S C Kriner,	do	8 75
J B Williams,	do	12 70
W A Butler,	do	4 95
C P Overby,	do	3 35
Stephen Johnson,	do	2 90
J B Butler,	do	10 65
Dr J T Cooper,	do	1 35
A B Williams,	do	3 35
A J Bullard & Sons, shingles,	do	4 35
A J Deal, labor,	do	2 25
A J Bullard & Son, shingles,	do	4 35
Sam Toomer,	do	4 85
A L McCaskill,	do	3 80
W H Russell,	do	1 05
J B Bodenheimer,	do	1 05
J M Faircloth,	do	1 80
E T Watson,	do	1 05
D W Marsh,	do	6 10
W P Wemyss,	do	4 35
Geo Parker,	do	2 95
W R Parker,	do	2 95
Bryant McNeill,	do	2 95
F M Wood,	do	2 95
Angus Ray,	do	3 10
		$322 08

INSOLVENT ACCOUNT MAY TERM, 1899.

A A McKethan, C. S. C., fees,		$51 72
Cyrus Murphy, Ex. C. S. C., fees,		6 30
G A Burns, sheriff,		19 05
McDGeddie, ex-sheriff, fees,		30
R F Seawell, ex solicitor, fees,		4 00
C M McLean, solicitor, fees,		26 50
W S Cook, J. P., fees,		5 45
W H Flowers, chief police, fees,		9 30
J H Benton, ass't chief police, fees		6
C P Overby, J. P., fees,		3
J T McKay, J. P., fees,		5 12
D N McLean, J. P., fees,		3 10
J W Deans, J. P , fees,		60
J W Maultsby, constable, fees,		3
R J Baker, constable, fees,		80
C A McDuffie, constable, fees,		1 25
L W Lewis,	witness,	1
G W Pritchard,	do	1 30
J K Bunch,	do	1 22
L T Smith,	do	1 20
Margaret West,	do	1 10
E M Wicker,	do	1 10
J A McFarland,	do	1 15
Edith A Wicker,	do	1 10
Evison Wicker, for same,	do	3 60
Sallie Blue,	do	3 75
Charlotte Blue,	do	2 10
E D Pigford,	do	3 60
Betsy Blue,	do	3 60
Tom McLeod,	do	3 50
Wm McKethan,	do	2 80
Dock Smith,	do	2 50
Oscar Haywood,	do	2 10
D K Brown,	do	2 10
J T McKay,	do	1 20
W H Flowers,	do	2 10
J H Buckingham,	do	9 10
J N Creel,	do	$196 71

INSOLVENT ACCOUNT, SEPT'R TERM, 1899.

A A McKethan, C. S. C.	fees,	$32 64
C Murphy, ex	do	5 62
G A Burns, sheriff,	do	13 18
McD Geddie, ex sheriff,	do	7 00
S M Jones, sheriff, (Moore)	do	30
H F Seawell, ex solicitor,	do	2 50
C M McLean, solicitor,	do	13 00
J T McKay, J. P.	do	2 75
C P Overby	do	6 05
D N McLean,	do	1 48
W S Cook	do	1 75
J W Smith,	do	80
D J Cashwell,	do	97
J W Maultsby, constable,	do	95
J H Buckingham,	do	2 95
W H Flowers, chief police,	do	3 00
J H Benton, ass't	do	2 85
J C Culbreth, court,	do	1 45
J A Lambeth,	witness,	2 10
J K Kinlaw,	do	2 10
D N McLean,	do	1 05
Alford Hackney,	do	1 05
D S Capps,	do	1 88
Ro Hunneycut,	do	1 50
Oliver Godwin,	do	1 90
J A Vann,	do	1 60
Jesse Dudley,	do	1 35
W G Holmes,	do	78
John Marshall,	do	2 75
K E Murrell,	do	2 75
I H Benton,	do	55
H F Collier,	do	90
W J Branch,	do	1 30
W J Benson,	do	1 30
Caroline McPherson,	do	1 35
James do	do	1 35
W J Nance,	do	1 20
Kenneth McKinnon,	do	1 60
John Rollins,	do	1 55
Cora do	do	1 55
Isabella do	do	1 55
N A Vann,	do	55
Mamie McDuffie,	do	70
R E Harris,	do	90
J R Luther,	do	90
Caroline Wilson,	do	1 05
Hessie Burns,	do	1 60
Barbara Kelly,	do	1 05
Frank Stewart	do	1 05
J Vance McGougan,	do	5 00
C B McMillan,	do	5 05
		$142 10

BRIDGES.

Chas Haigh, material	17 73
G E Buie, repairs	3 80
Isaac Young, do	2 50
N L McFadyen, do	6 25
Same, do	5 50
Walter Watson, material	47 24
E T Watson, do	13 19
Carter & Jones, do	7 39
W G Adams, repairs	6 50
J M Davis, do	3
J D Faircloth, do	75
H H Bolton, do	1 20
J T McCorquodale, do	20
Neill Black, material	37 92
J C Geddie, repairs	2
D Z McGougan, do	6 75
W R King, do	20
E T Watson, material	6 15
J D Faircloth, do	25
Chas Haigh, do	5 46
Manchester Cotton Mills, repairs	55 13
J T Townsend, repairs,	14
E R Harrington, material	2 60
J W Hodges, repairs	1 50
A J Deal, do	42 50
T H Bowen, do	4
J L Marks do	25
J C Culbreth, do	6
Kenneth Johnson, do	10
Jno Smith, do	4
L W Averitt, do	2 50
E McN Johnson, do	7
E R Harrington, material	7 68
A L Gilliland, repairs	15
Niven McLaurin, do	4
D C Culbreth, do	6 50
G E Buie, do	3 10
Peter McQueen, do	11 50
Sam Turner, do	1
D Shaw, do	25
E T Watson, material	3 06
Jones & Carter, do	10 11
E T Watson, do	27
J C Adams, do	9 90
S J A Darden, building bridge	103 80
J A Shaw, repairs	20
Walter Watson, material	45
Columbus Jackson, repairs	23
D Shaw, building bridge	125
N A McLeod, repairs	50 50
J D McCraney, do	9 07
Jos Johnson, do	7
M Morrison, do	1 50
Jno Smith, material	6 65
Wm West, do	3 11
Carter & Jones, do	9 62
L C Horne, repairs,	2 60
G M Starling, do	13 88
Columbus Jackson do	81 50
Isaac Strickland, do	1
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CLARENDON BRIDGE

A J Bullard & Sons, shingles,	$43
A J Deal, labor,	79
A J Bullard & Sons, shingles,	53 75
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A J Bullard & Son, shingles,	33 75
E T Watson, lumber,	2 63
A J Deal, labor,	62 56
A E Rankin C. O., nails, &c,	8 07
Huske H. House,	4 85
	$333 89

STATIONERY.

A J Pemberton & Co.,	$20 70
Walker, Edwards & Cogswell, record book,	7 50
Young & Seldon, office supplies,	64 05
Stamps, Tr. office,	7 10
A J Pemberton & Co.,	9 10
Walker, Edwards & Cogswell.	9 50
	$117 95

PRINTING.

N C Baptist & Publishing Co., calendars, &c,	$ 2 75
Same,	4 80
Edwards & Broughton,	8
Fayetteville Printing & Pub. Co.,	6
Fayetteville Observer, pub. annual exhibit,	20
Fayetteville Pt'g & Pub. Co., calendars,	1 75
Walker, Evans & Cogswell, records	4 50
Fayetteville Observer,	7 45
Fay. Ptg & Pub. Co., calendars,	1 75
" " reg. office,	11 25
N C Baptist & Pub. Co., tr. book,	3
" " tax notices	1
Walker, Evans & Cogswell, records	8
Edwards & Broughton, records,	10 50
Harrell's Printing House, notices,	3
Fayetteville Observer,	5 75
N C Baptist & Pub. Co., dockets,	7 80
" " calendars,	2 25
Thomson Bros., notices,	75
N C Baptist & Pub. Co.,	14 90
	$128 20

INQUESTS.

J E Caviness, coroner,	6 80
M J Crumpler, juror,	1 60
W B Jackson "	1 50
A T Jones, "	1 50
A R Averett, "	1 50
E M Judd, "	1 50
G D Bunce, "	1 50
G A Burns, sheriff, summonsing witnesses,	1 80
J Vance McGougan, witness,	50
J H Benton, "	50
Lewis Beard "	50
Phillip S ewart, "	50
Henry Ussery, "	50
Jno D Monaghan, "	50
J E Caviness, coroner,	11 80
W P Collier, juror,	1 50
J A Raynor, "	1 50
D C Culbreth, "	1 50
J A Huske, "	1 50
L L Smith, "	1 50
E M Parker "	1 50
Wm McKethan, witness,	50
Charlotte Blue, "	50
Chas A Ray, "	50
Betsy Blue, "	50
Sally Blue, "	50
Jennie Blue, "	50
Thos. McLeod, "	50
Angus Ray, summonsing witnesses,	2 10
J E Caviness, coroner,	6 80
J H Benton, ass't do do	2 85
J F Arnett, juror,	1 50
J L Smith, "	1 50
B F Grimes, "	1 50
Sam Jones, "	1 50
Arch West, "	1 50
W W West, "	1 50
Andrew Johnson, juror,	1 50
J E Caviness, coroner,	6 00
J C Jackson, juror,	1 50
J F Johnson, "	1 50
Herbert McDonald, "	1 50
J C Smith, "	1 50
J L McKay, "	1 50
J B Underwood, witness,	50
D T Oates, "	50
J W McNeill, "	50
C M Watson, "	50
C W Elliott, "	50
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—William J. Bryan to National Committeeman C. S. Thomas, of Colorado.

FAYETTEVILLE.

The Most Prosperous Year in its Recent History.

Raleigh News and Observer.

To the Editor: When the Atlantic Coast Line purchased the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley Railway, at the sale of the latter road, a year ago this month, thereby destroying Fayetteville as a competitive point for railway rates, the industrial and commercial prospects of the town seemed to suffer an almost irreparable blow. When, a few weeks later, the railway shops were removed—the shops which had come down from the time that Fayetteville capital and enterprise inaugurated the Western Railroad, the parent of the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley system—and then the railway headquarters were removed, and after that the main stem to Mount Airy was dismembered, many persons thought that this ancient commercial capital had received its coup-de grace. For, small as the shops were and insignificant the headquarters, compared with those of the great systems, they disbursed a large amount of ready cash every month, which mostly found its way into our merchants' pockets; and short as the 357 miles of railway were, compared with the thousands controlled by the great systems, they made Fayetteville the terminal point for many train crews, who had built homes and were otherwise rooted in the community.

These disturbing conditions, however, served only to rouse the half sleep town; its people felt that they had before them a life-and-death struggle; and they determined, God willing, that the issue should not be death. The leading men got together in a way that had been unknown for years; the Chamber of Commerce, which had signalized organization a few years ago by securing the location here of the Holt-Morgan and the Holt-Williamson mills, and then fell asleep, was reorganized; and the result has been the inauguration of many new and important enterprises. Chief of these are the Tolar-Hart and Holt mills (10,000 spindles), and the Ashley-Bailey spinning and weaving silk mills. The establishment of the latter marks the beginning of a new era in North Carolina, because it introduces a more advanced and therefore, generally speaking, a more profitable form of manufacture.

The effect of the railroad consolidation has been broken, if not entirely by the steamers on the Cape Fear. By These the cotton mills receive their dyes, oils and other supplies at rates met, by the cheap river freights offered that would astonish the up-country mill owners, and ship their output. Because of this recourse, also, the merchants are able to lay down the most of their goods so cheapiy that their trade has not only not suffered but has been largely increased over last year's, notwithstanding the loss of the patronage of the railroad people.

Perhaps the most important of the new enterprises established here during the year is the erection of a large tobacco warehouse and the complete success of the tobacco market created by it.

In addition to the foregoing, a large and completely appointed hospital has just been erected here, supplied with all the latest appliances employed in the best of such institutions, and already drawing a large patronage from the town and the tributary country.

BRIGHT PROSPECTS FOR 1900.

The prospect for next year is a bright one. The city authorities and the cotton mills have entered into an agreement with the Cape Fear Electric Power Company to take some 2,000 horse-power—for re-establishing, and on a large scale, the electric lighting of the streets, and for driving the mill machinery. It is understood that this new motive power will be ready for use by June, 1900, when the possibilities in the way of establishing, cheaply, all manner of industries seem boundless.

Besides this, our excellent Congressman, Mr. Thomas, at the request of the Chamber of Commerce, has introduced bills for the creation of a three-foot-deep channel for steamboats between Fayetteville and Wilmington, throughout the year; and for the re-establishment of the great arsenal of construction and storage which General Sherman so foolishly destroyed in 1865. Another bank and other tobacco warehouses are also in prospect, besides more cotton and silk mills, and a bleachery to take advantage of the exceptionally fine water supplied by the sandhill creeks that enter the town.

NO LONGER HEWERS OF WOOD AND DRAWERS OF WATER.

It is interesting to make note of the revolution taking place in the industries of this section illustrated by the introduction here of the manufacture of silk, the most expensive of the textiles. Between 1835 and 1840, Fayetteville was the centre of the "Morum Multicaulis" mania, which had for its object the raising of silk worms and the export of the cocoons. After the lapse of three-score years, we have so far emerged from the modest ambition to export the raw material of that luxury, that we are importing it and converting it into the finished product on the very same spot where then the mulberry trees, the rawest of its raw material, were grown.

The trucking industry continues to grow; the farmers seem to have reaped the full benefit of the enhanced price of cotton, employing better methods year by year and raising more food supplies; and the cultivation of tobacco, a new industry, has proved to be a great success.

Besides the cotton mills in the town. [including the Fayetteville Cotton Mills] those nearby at Hope Mills, Beaver Creek and Manchester, are all doing well—the Hope Mills Company having recently re-stocked with the latest makes of machinery the Cumberland and the Bluff Mills on Beaver Creek, which properties they had purchased within the year. At both the Hope Mills factories very handsome dress goods are made, probably of a higher grade than elsewhere in the South.

The year closes with brighter prospects and more hopeful feelings than this community has known since the entry of Sherman's army at the close of the war of '61. Several new railways are said to be headed this way; new businesses are constantly being added, and even the most conservative observers admit that we are on the high road to becoming a great manufacturing as well as a considerable wholesale centre.

E. J. HALE,
Editor of Observer.

"BUT THE DOOR STANDS AJAR."

The Roman divinity who presided over all beginnings was very appropriately represented as having two faces, the one looking backward and the other forward. Perhaps it is but natural that we should think most of this peculiar fitness just at this time when the retrospective attitude is about to be changed to one of eager expectancy. And before we write eighteen hundred for the last time, let us look more closely at the face on this side of the closed doors, for the shades of coming night are gathering thick and fast, and we shall see it no more forever. Note the furrowed cheeks, the dim yet wistful light in the eyes grown weary with watching, the locks so gray and thin which straggle their unresisted way across the massive brow; it will soon be only—a memory! "Time goes, you say? Ah, no; alas! time stays—we go."

Once you looked forth and lo! there stood at your side a spirit from the unseen world, holding in its hands a casket of rarest gems, sparkling and beautiful, their prismatic tints commingling as they lay in their velvet case. There was the ruby, the sapphire, the pearl, the emerald, the opal and the diamond.

The voice of the sprite rang out sweet and clear, saying: "I leave this casket with its precious contents, to your care; these jewels you are to keep through all your coming days, guard them well and see to it, that the gems lose none of their lustre, for you will be held accountable for them.

"The glowing ruby, with its passionful, enduring light, typifies courage and fortitude—the strength to endure, to be patient in well-doing; the steady, constant light of the sapphire, with the azure of the sky prisoned in its depths, is the emblem of truth; this simple chaste pearl personifies a purity so stainless that the twelve gates of the Heavenly City are twelve pearls; the soft, green emerald is a symbol of Faith, with its serene and gentle light; here, too, is the royal diamond as the personification of Hope—that Hope which looks beyond the changeful kaleidoscope of earth to the 'white-domed mansions of eternity,' its strong, white light shining athwart the deepest gloom of sorrow and trouble; and last and most beautiful of all is this, the opal, emitting its rays of many colors like the charity it symbolizes, which manifests itself in varied channels wherever there is sin and suffering."

Crowned with this glittering circlet of virtues, you set forth upon your journey to the Life Beautiful, your pathway illuminated by the bright rays of your jewels, the landscape of your morning spreading softly and enticingly before your enraptured eyes. You catch not the faintest glimpse of the mockery of the mirage; to you there is no suggestion of the unattainable, no possibility of the impossible.

But as you go on you begin to fear that your gems are becoming dim—it is so hard to keep them shining. You find that your fortitude—the gentle word in season, the honest counsel in doubt—is not so much admired as the brilliancy of manner and attractive social qualities of some of your *confreres;* your truthfulness—what a rare gem it is!—sometimes hides its shamed head in the midst of evasion, subterfuges, so-called "white lies" which storm the firm setting of your jewel and threaten to sap its very foundation. Perhaps Love reigns and all mankind are your brothers; but again the world is your enemy and Hate holds full sway at the life's capital, while Charity hangs its forgotten head amid the shattered ruins of friendship and association. At times Hope rules and dancing sunbeams weave for her a pathway of golden glow; but a sorrow comes—the day grows dark—and sad Despair floods the ports of Hope with a dark flow of doubt and sails the way of life with drooping head and trembling hands.

So at one time or another the light of each has grown dull. Are they shining now, in the twilight of the year?

It may be that the faded appearance of one has deepened the lines on that face; perhaps the last lustre of another has made darker the shadows which shroud the sad, sad light of those eyes; or, perchance the absence of still another has whitened the hoary hair.

Oh! open the casket quickly and look at the jewels within—those priceless gems of your character? Are they shining? No! Then hasten with them to the Great Lapidary—to Him whose birth we have celebrated within the week. He will polish and re-tint them, restoring their pristine beauty and purity.

Then come and look again at the closing portal of the year. Let us fancy that it is fashioned after the pattern of the triple doorway of the Cathedral of Milan, which has three inscriptions spanning the splendid arch. Over one is carved a wreath of beautiful roses and underneath it is the legend; "All that which pleases is only for a moment."

Over the other is chiseled a cross and these are the words: "All that which troubles us is but for a moment." Underneath the great central entrance is the inscription: "That only is important which is eternal." This is the teaching of all the portals of closed years which throng the corridors of Time.

But, see! one door stands ajar—the door of the New Year, and that other face is the face of a little child—a face dimpling with welcoming smiles of joy and hope, a sunny head surrounded with a halo of glorious light. Over this entrance there is a simple design of Forget-me nots with the words: "Christ hath given himself for us."

Listen! He whose birthday bells have rung within the week speaks:

"'Come with me,' hear him through his smiling say,
'Behold, I am the way.'
'Enter through me,' he saith, 'nor wander more;
For lo! I am the door.'
And all doors openeth He,
The new-born Christ, the Lord of the New Year.
The threshold of our locked hearts standeth near,
And while he gives us back Love's rusted key,
Our future on us with his eyes has smiled
Even as a little child."

SCOTCH LASSIE.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

From Our Regular Correspondent.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 1, 1900.

That queer things occur in politics everybody knows, but nobody ever expected to see republican members of Congress trying to get democratic members to assist them in resisting what they call an underhanded attack on the protective tariff system by the republican administration. Yet that is precisely what is being done. Republicans representing sections which produce articles affected by the several reciprocity treaties, negotiated under the Dingley tariff law, which require the approval of the House as well as the ratification of the Senate, are trying to get democrats to help them defeat the treaties.

Mr. McKinley pulled off his New Year Reception without a scrap between those who have been fussing for weeks over whether Gen. Miles or Admiral Dewey should be given precedence. Gen. Miles was given precedence under the rule which has always been followed.

There is another row on between Gen. Miles and Adjutant General Corbin. It was started by the recommendation of Gen. Miles that this year's West Point class be graduated in February, instead of June, in order that the graduates, instead of civil appointees, might fill the numerous vacancies in second lieutenancies in the regular army. For some reason, Gen. Corbin bitterly antagonizes this recommendation—of course, he, as Adjutant General of the Army, has no personal interest in the appointment of civilians to be second lieutenants in the regular army. Secretary Root is said to lean towards Corbin a little, although he has not actually decided the question yet.

While no one in Washington seriously believes that the republican caucus will dare to indorse the bill of Representative Crumpacker, of Indiana, which proposes to reduce the Congressional representation and the electoral votes of a number of Southern States, Representative Wilson, of South Carolina, who is an able constitution lawyer, has gathered a number of legal decisions showing that Congress has no constitutional authority to do what Mr. Crumpacker's bill proposes, even if it had the inclination, which he doubts. Mr. Wilson quotes several decisions of the United States Supreme Court, one of which contains the following plain language: "The right to vote is a privilege regulated by municipal law, and inhering exclusively in the State." He also points out that the right to vote has been denied by a large number of States. For instance, an educational qualification is required by Maine, Massachusetts, Connecticut, South Carolina, Mississippi, Louisiana, Colorado, and Wyoming, while the payment of certain taxes is required before citizens can vote, by Rhode Island, Pennsylvania, Delaware, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Mississippi, Tennessee, and Nevada. Mr. Wilson says the educational qualification imposed by Massachusetts debars a larger number of citizens than are affected by the constitution or laws of any southern State, and that he feels sure the best sentiment of the country, regardless of politics, sustains the solution which the suffrage laws of South Carolina and other southern States have secured to the people of intelligence of those States.

Secretary Gage's expressed willingness to answer any questions Congress may ask him, concerning his choice of a New York bank to receive on deposit all moneys collected from internal revenue taxes—about $1,000,000 a day—and to distribute the same to banks in all parts of the country, as may be ordered by the Secretary of the Treasury, is likely to be put to the test very soon, as there are several things about this transaction which many Senators and Representatives would like very much to know. For instance, even among those who concede the legal right of the Secretary of the Treasury to give the free use of Government money to some banks and not to others, which many do not, there is curiosity to know why a bank controlled by one of the biggest and worst of the trusts—The Standard Oil Company—was made the distributor of these funds, and how long that bank is allowed to retain the money before distributing it to the other favored banks, and whether those banks are given the free use of the money for any specified time. It was this same New York bank that bought the old Custom House property in New York, and while questions are in order, Secretary Gage will be asked to explain the legal jugglery in delaying the transfer of title from the government to the purchaser, by which the bank has escaped the payment of city taxes amounting to more than $120,000. Boss Hanna was right when he said that the talk about Secretary Gage resigning was bosh. The interests which put Mr. Gage in the Cabinet have more work for him to do for their profit, and nobody knows it any better than Boss Hanna. Mr. Gage could not resign, even if he really wished to, without queering himself with those interests.

Papal Delegate Arrives at Manila.

By cable to the Observer.)

Manila, January 2nd.—Archbishop Chappello, the Papal delegate to the Philippines and Father McKinnon, late of the First California regiment, but now chaplain in the regular army, arrived here today. The Spanish Archbishop of Manila entertained them at luncheon.

Croker's Condition.

By telegraph to the Observer.

Wantage, January 2.—Richard Croker is getting along as well as can be expected with his broken leg.

It has been demonstrated repeatedly in every state in the Union and in many foreign countries that Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is a certain preventive and cure for croup. It has become the universal remedy for that disease. M. V. Fisher of Liberty, W. Va., only repeats what has been said around the globe when he writes: "I have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in my family for several years and always with perfect success. We believe that it is not only the best cough remedy, but that it is a sure cure for croup. It has saved the lives of our children a number of times." This remedy is for sale by B. E. Sedberry & Sons.

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Miss Annie E. Gunning, Tyre, Mich., says, "I suffered a long time from dyspepsia; lost flesh and became very weak. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure completely cured me." It digests what you eat and cures all forms of stomach trouble. It never fails to give immediate relief in the worst cases. King Bros.

The Situation in South Africa.

New York Sun.

There seems to be a renewal of activity on both sides at all points along the line in South Africa, except in the Naauw Poort and Colesberg districts. One of the most interesting items of news is that the Boers have managed somehow to open the railway line direct to Colenso, but no hint is given as to the route taken to avoid the proximity of Ladysmith. If true, it is an important contribution to their means of defence and is worth the trouble it must have cost. Notwithstanding the reports that Ladysmith is provisioned for another two months, it is open to doubt. A correspondent writing from Natal on Oct. 26 says that it was then estimated that it could not hold out much beyond Jan. 15 next. That being the case, the energy shown both by the British and Boers on the Tugela is explained, and it justifies the belief that there will be an early renewal of the attempt to force the passage of the Tugela by Gen. Buller, who has received re-enforcements to the extent of six or seven thousand men since his repulse. The force now under his command numbers about 30,000, with about ninety guns of all kinds, amply sufficient, in co-operation with the garrison of Ladysmith, to outmanœuvre the Boer army, which is believed to be not over 20,000 strong. It is probably due to the completion of the railway that the Boers have been able to bring down heavy guns from Pretoria and to repair with expedition the losses they have sustained in material on different occasions.

A significant paragraph in a despatch from Chieveley Camp, dated Dec. 27, is to the effect that it is still very hot and the grass is badly burnt. The meaning of this is obvious; the suffering from the heat and want of grass, however, will be felt by both sides.

The Colenso road bridge appears not to have been entirely destroyed, so that the Boer communications with the south side of the Tugela are still open. Until they are entirely cut off, a flanking movement by the British to either side of the Boer army would be a some what risky operation until Gen. Buller has a larger mounted force at his disposal.

A Cape Town correspondent mentions the interesting fact that so confident were the authorities there that Gen. Methuen's division would meet with but trifling opposition, that it started with only five days' provisions for the march to Kimberley. The successive checks it met seriously alarmed everybody responsible for the rash miscalculation; and it seems to have been the want of enterprise alone of the Boer commanders that saved Gen. Methuen the worst disaster of the war. This would explain the extra anxiety felt in London over the difficulties encountered by his column.

Gen. Gatacre has, as was to be expected, reopened the railway line east from Sterkstroom to Indwe, thus assuring the supply of coal for the coast towns, which was much curtailed by the cutting off of the Dundee mines, and seriously reduced by the interruption of the supply from the Indwe mines. The heavy firing reported from Cradock as having been heard in the direction of Stormberg requires explanation. It may have been connected with a movement in that direction either by a part of Gen. French's force from the west, or of a reconnoitering party belonging to Gen. Gatacre's command.

The capture of Kuruman in the Bechuanaland Protestorate, about 125 miles northwest of Kimberley, is important only from its being the last considerable place in that part of the country where British authority was still represented. The chief value of its occupation to the Boers is the effect it will have on the natives. At Kimberley and on the Modder River there is considerable activity in reconnoitering by the British and defensive preparations by the Boers, but no immediate appearance of action by the British.

With regard to the Delagoa Bay matter, there seems no likelihood that the British Government will proceed to an occupation of it, and it is quite certain that the Transvaal authorities will not do anything to disturb the status quo. There is very little doubt that the Boers are receiving much material through Lorenzo Marques, chiefly from Germany and Holland in German vessels, the supply of which would at once be cut off were they to act in a hostile manner toward the Portuguese. The report sent out from Berlin seems to have been a feeler thrown out to ascertain the general sentiment on the subject and its effect on certain Governments.

Owing, it is said, to the employment of Khama's Bamangwato warriors by the British Rhodesian authorities, the Boer women and children in the northwest of the Transvaal are being sent for safety to the Zoutpansberg Mountains.

Having a Great Run on Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

Manager of the Pierson drug store, informs us that he is having a great run on Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. He sells five bottles of that medicine to one of any other kind, and it gives great satisfaction. In these days of la grippe there is nothing like Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to stop the cough, heal up the sore throat and lungs and give relief within a very short time. The sales are growing, and all who try it are pleased with its prompt action.—South Chicago Daily Calumet. For sale by B. E. Sedberry & Sons.

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BEAVER DAM ITEMS.

BEAVER DAM, Dec. 28, 1899.

Miss Mary Horne, of Hives, N. C., is visiting friends and relatives on Beaver Dam this week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Hall, have moved to Fayetteville.

Mrs. Leonard McLemore and daughters Misses Maggie and Mary are visiting Mrs. Daniel Hales this week.

Mr. Simon Smith went to Wilmington on business recently.

Mr. S. G. Ballard was at the old homestead this week.

Mr. E. E. Fisher went out to Winnie, N. C., during the holidays.

Messrs. Ralph and W. K. Carty spent the holidays with relatives at Lisbon, N. C.

Mr. T. A. Horne and Master Peyton are spending the holidays at Parkersburg.

Mr. Chas. Lockamy and lady of Parkersburg spent Christmas in our section.

Senator Tillman was near about right when he said: "He would not give such a man as Lawton for the damned archipelago of islands." Oh! the brave boys we are losing, besides the money it is costing to get possession of these sickly Philippine islands—a disgrace and a shame to our country, once the home of the brave and free—once the defenders and protectors of human liberty and freedom. But, alas! after something over a century of national existence away down in the very last years of the nineteenth century, when civilization and christianity is at the highest point ever known before in the history of the world, then our country must turn oppressor and the home of the tyrant. Sad, very sad, isn't it.

Mr. J. C. Hall returned home from Georgia last week and says there is no place like "dear old North Carolina."

Miss Bertie Sisks, of Ora, Sampson county, will commence a school at Clay Fork, January 1st, 1900.

The old year will soon be gone into the past. The year 1899, will never be any more, and in some respects it has been a notable year for us as a nation. But let us look forward to the year of 1900, with hope that many of the now existing wrongs may be righted and our country put on a more solid basis, both politically and morally, than ever before. Let us work, vote and pray that the mighty defender and protector of the common peoples rights, the peerless Bryan may be elected chief executive of our nation over the good, pious defender of soulless corporations, combinations and greed, and all that is anti American, by such a majority that McKinleyism and Hannaism will forever be dead.

A happy New Year to the OBSERVER, force, correspondents and readers.

JACK.

Bladen County News.

Dublin, N. C., Dec. 23, 1899.

Sheriff S. G. Wooten is critically ill at his home in Clarkton.

Clerk of the Court A. M. McNeill and Commissioner C. W. Lyon visited Wilmington this week.

Messrs. Hamer L. Lyon and R. H. Lyon and Dren Bizzell, of the University Law School, and Neill Singletary, of the University football team, returned home last week to spend the Xmas holidays.

I hear that W. A. Council, (col.) who killed a negro named Council a few days ago, has been captured and is in jail in Clinton. Deputy Sheriff J. C. Bullard went over to Clinton this week to ascertain whether or not it was Council. It is to be hoped that it is the right man.

Mr. Harry J. Lyon, of Lyon's Landing, went to Wilmington this week.

Mr. Frank P. Munn will go to Newport News, Va., soon, where he will make his future home.

A moonshiner shot at Deputy Collector W. J. Sutton near Manchester, Cumberland county, this week, but fortunately he did not hit him.

Postmaster D. D. King and Frank King, of Dublin, visited Wilmington this week.

Prof. Colin Pearce took charge of the Dublin school last Monday. Prof. Pearce comes highly recommended and will no doubt build up a flourishing school.

Rev. G. T. Simmons, of the N. C. conference, has been assigned to the Elizabeth circuit for the coming year.

I hear that Mr. Luther Bass and Miss Johnnie Cain were married this week.

There was a concert at the Bladenboro High School last night.

Mr. Walter E. Hall, of Elizabethtown, who has been in business in Brunswick, returned home to spend Christmas.

Mr. J. L. Singletary, of Dublin, was in Wilmington last week.

M. B.

I want to let the people who suffer from rheumatism and sciatica know that Chamberlain's Pain Balm relieved me after a number of other medicines and a doctor had failed. It is the best liniment I have ever known of.—J. A. DODGEN, Alpharetta, Ga. Thousands have been cured of rheumatism by this remedy. One application relieves the pain. For sale by B. E. Sedberry & Sons.

Adjutant General Corbin's list of subscriptions to the Lawton home fund aggregated $15,000 at noon yesterday. The committee announces that the subscription lists will be kept open until January 6th.

A New York Physician Advises His Patient to Take Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

[LETTER TO MRS. PINKHAM NO. 73,935]

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM—I have three children and suffered with falling of the womb and flooding. My physician scraped the womb, still the flooding continued and I was no better. At last he advised me to use Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. Then I thought I would write to Mrs. Pinkham for she could advise me better than any one if I was to take her remedies. I received her reply and followed all her directions and I am very glad to send you this testimonial, for Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound is just what it is recommended to be. I advise all women who suffer from these complaints to try it."—MARIE LEMP, 108 2D AVE., NEW YORK CITY.

"A year ago I was a great sufferer from painful menstruation. I could not lie down or sit down for the dreadful pain each month. I wrote to you and took twelve bottles of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and it has helped me so I cannot find words to express my gratitude toward Mrs. Pinkham. I am to-day well and hearty."—MISS JOIE SAUL, DOVER, CLARE CO., MICH.

More than a million women have been helped by Mrs. Pinkham's advice and medicine.

Graded School Report.

To the Board of Trustees Fayetteville Graded School:

GENTLEMEN:—I beg leave to submit for consideration by you the following report of Fayetteville Graded School for the third month ending December 8th, 1899:

Number boys enrolled the month,	146
Number girls enrolled " "	145
Total enrollment " "	291
Total number left school during the month	13
Total number enrolled at the close of the month	278
Average daily attendance	250
Per cent. of attendance	90

ROLL OF HONOR.

Boys—Willie Amos, Walter Cook, George Myrover, Philip Thomas, Jaquelin Crosswell, Marion Huske, Eugene Morgan, Harald McD. Sedberry, James DaCosta Highsmith, Iver McL. Robeson, Henry L. Cook, Willie Mc Laurin, John D. Maultsby, Wallace McG. Prior, James Maultsby, Claude Rankin, Fletcher Sedberry, Walter Hall, Esker Amos, John Reid, Isaac Murray, Aaron Folb, John McNeill, Archie McDuffie, Roy Fitzell, Bryan Broadfoot, Alton Bynum, Eagan Overby, Walter Strickland, Earle Stewart.

Girls—Rilla Ward, Sadie Hall, Lottie Newberry, Emmie Black, Myrtle Folb, Ethel Hall, Ellen Hall, Frankie Murray, Adah Strickland, Eleanor Huske, Eunice Nimocks, Frances Broadfoot, Amanda Amos, Janie Black, Ellen Brandt, Louise Huske, Nannie Campbell, Kathleen Crawford, Mary Helen Sheetz, Lillie K. Johnson, Charlotte McDuffie, Marie Thornton, Hennitt Evans, Nellie Strickland.

Respectfully,
A. B. HILL,
Superintendent.

Meeting of Board of Aldermen.

The Board of Aldermen met in special session Thursday afternoon, with Mayor Cook presiding, and the following members present: C. B. McMillan, C. W. Elliott, J. W. McNeill, R. G. Haigh, W. H. Powell, W. G. Hall, I. W. Clark, John Underwood, C. M. Watson and T. H. Maultsby.

Alderman McMillan moved that the ordinance requiring the A. C. L. to erect gates at the Hay and Winslow streets crossings be rescinded for the present and that the A. C. L. be required to keep a watchman there instead. This was carried unanimously. Mr. McMillan, in making his motion, explained that gates at this crossing would not answer the purpose as the railroad track was paralleled by two wide streets and could therefore be crossed above or below the gates when the latter were closed.

Alderman McNeill moved that in consideration of the fact that notice of the ordinance requiring the different telephone, telegraph and electric light companies to paint their poles, had not been served promptly, these companies be allowed until the 15th of January to comply with the ordnance. This was carried.

Alderman Underwood brought up the matter of the cemetery wall and it was referred to the cemetery committee.

The Mayor announced that the city had received that day $1200 from the dispensary, $600 more than for any previous quarter.

The Mayor said that the bridge committee had taken the liberty of having the bridge below the Fayetteville Cotton Factory replaced at a cost of $13 and asked the approval of the board, which was granted.

Alderman McNeill complained of the lights, which he said were not half lighted at times. The Mayor said he would investigate the matter.

THE OBJECT OF THE MEETING.

The Mayor now stated that this meeting had been called at the request of the police committee to investigate a certain charge against officer J. W. Maultsby. He read the evidence taken before the police committee, which was to the effect that while he had a young white man under arrest for disorderly conduct, the prisoner struck Mr. Troy Vann and the latter struck back, whereupon the officer struck Mr. Vann with his billy. Mr. Maultsby, in his evidence, said there was so much confusion that he struck at random and without any special intention of striking Mr. Vann.

Alderman Clark moved that in face of the evidence policeman Maultsby be suspended for 60 days, seconded by Alderman McMillan. Alderman McNeill moved to amend to 30 days' suspension. A vote being taken the amendment was lost by a vote of 5 to 4, and the original motion carried, all the aldermen voting for it except Alderman Maultsby, who very properly did not vote at all.

Naval Guns Makes Suicides.

By telegraph to the Observer.

Hartford, January 2.—Wm. Graves, a gunner on the cruiser Brooklyn during the Spanish war killed himself with strychnine today. He worked at Colt's arms factory after his enlistment expired. Drs. Root and Stern, said when they learned that Graves was an enlisted gunner they were not surprised at the suicide. They said it had been demonstrated by scientific teachers that certain temperimental defects among naval gunners are always certain to be intensified by the concussion of rapid fire guns. They say there have been many such cases.

"One Minute Cough Cure is the best remedy I ever used for coughs and colds. It is unequalled for whooping cough. Children all like it." writes H. N. Williams, Gentryville, Ind. Never fails. It is the only harmless remedy that gives immediate results. Cures coughs, colds, hoarseness, croup, pneumonia, bronchitis and all throat and lung troubles. Its early use prevents consumption. King Bros.

How's This!

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We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligations made by their firm.

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Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Price, 75c. per bottle. Sold by all Druggists. Testimonials free.

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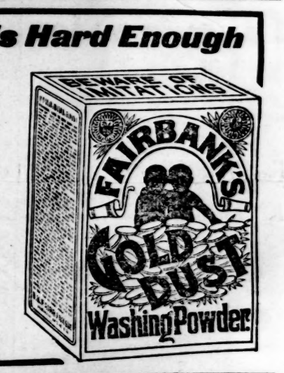

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The Christmas German.

The Christmas german, danced at Williams Hall Friday night, was one of the most delightful of the many charming dances of this season. Remsburg's Orchestra furnished the music and delighted the dancers by playing several new and catchy pieces. The following were those present:

Miss West with Mr. A. B. Williams, Jr., Miss Blanche Thornton with Mr. Geo. Underwood, Miss Lottie Thornton with Mr. Kyle Pemberton, Miss Lillian Slocomb with Mr. Jas. MacRae, Miss Kate Hawley with Mr. Chas. Rose, Miss Lisa Williams with Dr. J. Vance McGougan, Miss Kate Underwood with Mr. John McKethan, Miss Ellen Underwood with Mr. H. M. Pemberton, Miss Bessie Underwood with Mr. Jas. S. McNeill, Miss Alice Matthews with Mr. Ambrose Williams, Miss Mary H. Mallett with Mr. Gus Rose, Miss Bessie McNeill with Mr. Neill McRae, Miss Maggie McNeill with Mr. Philip Haigh, Miss Marion Mallett with Mr. Ruffin Horne, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Williams.

Stags—Messrs. Geo. A. O'Hanlon and Frank Slocomb.

Cold Weather.

Saturday morning was the coldest weather probably ever known in Fayetteville in December. At daylight of that morning the mercury was as low as 9 above zero. The coldest day of December, 1898, was the 15th, when the thermometer went as low as 11 above.

The warmest day of December, 1898, was the 21st, with maximum temperature 71 and minimum 58. The coldest day of that year was the 15th, when the temperature was 46-11.

The warmest day of December, 1899, was the 11th, with temperature at 71 highest and 50 lowest. The coldest day of the past month was Saturday with temperature at 30 and 9.

The Greensboro Dispensary.

A dispatch from Greensboro Monday says:

The Greensboro dispensary made the first annual settlement today. The profits of the first six months are $5 000, $4,000 going to the city and $1,000 to the county.

Volunteers for English Army.

By cable to the Observer.

Calcutta, December 30.—The Rulers of Cashmair, Mysore and Jodlipur, have offered troops and horses for service in South Africa. The Government accepts the horses. Jodlipur is a famous horse breeding centre.

Colombo, Ceylon, December 30.—The English authorities have accepted the offer of a corps of mounted infantry, for service in South Africa. Many planters are volunteering.

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A Pleasant Lemon Tonic.

Cures indigestion, headache, malaria, kidney disease, fever, chills, loss of appetite, debility, nervous prostration and heart failure, by regulating the Liver, Stomach, Bowels and Kidneys.

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Beeesville, S. C.

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Cured me of indigestion and heart disease, after years of suffering when all other remedies and doctors had failed.
N. D. COLEMAN,
Beulah, S. C.

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I have been a great sufferer from dyspepsia for about fifteen years, my trouble being liver, stomach and bowels, with terrible headaches. Lemon Elixir cured me. My appetite is good, and I am well. I had taken a barrel of other medicine that done me no good.
CHARLES GIBHARD.
No. 1515 Jefferson St., Louisville, Ky.

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Cured me of enlarged liver, nervous indigestion and heart disease. I was unable to walk up stairs or to do any kind of work. I was treated by many physicians, but got no better until I used Lemon Elixir. I am now healthy and vigorous
C. H. BALDWIN.
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MOZLEY'S LEMON HOT DROPS.

Cures all Coughs, Colds, Hoarseness, Sore Throat, Bronchitis, Hemorrhage, and all throat and lung diseases. Elegant, reliable.

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The Funeral of the Late Gen. Lawton.

By cable to the Observer.

Manila, Dec. 30.—The funeral of the late Gen. Lawton was held this morning. After impressive ceremonies The body was conducted from San Paco cemetery to the Luneta, to Pasig, and thence to the transport Thomas which sails this afternoon. As the body was removed from the vault chaplain Marvin read the prayers. The personal staff of the late General, augmented by color sergeant Simon, trumpeter Haberkam and privates Okum and Mehrhusena bore the coffin from the vault to the caisson which, with six horses, was waiting at the gate. The funeral procession was composed as follows: Band of the twentieth regiment, Gen. Hall and staff, two troops of the fourth cavalry, a battery of artillery and a number of clergymen, the caisson, covered with flowers, the personal staff of the General on foot, and Generals Wheeler, Watson, Bates, Forsythe, Kobbe and Sowan in three carriages, a naval battalion, Major General Otis and

THE OBSERVER.

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C., JAN. 4, 1900

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Horse Stolen.

Some one entered the stable of Mr. John Russell, a farmer in Flea Hill, Tuesday night and stole a fine horse. There is no clue to the thief.

Mr. J. C. Murchison Resigns.

Mr. J. C. Murchison, who for years was the popular Master of Trains of the C. F. & Y. V., and later holding the same position with the A. C. L., has resigned from the Coast Line service, and will in future be connected with a manufacturing establishment in Greensboro.

Mr. Murchison has a great number of warm friends in Fayetteville who wish him success in his new field.

New Management for the Water Works.

Colonel Peter Mallett, who is spending New Year with relatives in this city, has recently acquired control of the Fayetteville Water, Light and Power Company (the Water Works), and intends to make such changes in its management and rate "assessments" as will remove the friction heretofore existing and supply to our citizens the advantages which they anticipated when they gave out the franchise.

On Governor McSweeney's Staff.

Governor McSweeney, of South Carolina, has completed the organization of his staff, announcing that he had filled one existing vacancy by the appointment of Mr. Thomas C. Hamer, of Bennettsville, as an aide, with the rank of Lieutenant Colonel. Colonel Hamer, who is a brother of Mrs. A. V. Maultsby, and a nephew or Mrs. Dr. Floyd, of this city, is, says the Columbia State, the present very efficient, courteous and handsome clerk of the house of representatives of South Carolina, and is withal a good fellow, popular with all who came in contact with him.

Meeting of County Commissioners.

The County Commissioners met in regular monthly session Tuesday with Chairman Williams presiding and Messrs. D. G. Blue and W. H. Downing present.

Nancy Taylor was allowed $1.50 per month and Mrs. S. C. Pope was allowed $2 00 for supplies furnished her. Peter Patterson and P. O. Smith were allowed $1 per month.

It was ordered that John B. Butler, A. A. McQueen and Duncan Davis appear before the board the first Monday in February and show cause why they do not sign vouchers in favor of D. H. Marsh for stock law fence.

Ex-Sheriff McD. Geddie was relieved of $39.60 tax due by the Covenant Building and Loan Association for the year 1896.

W. S. Maultsby was ordered to lower his mill dam till warm weather so as not to flood the road.

J. D. McNeill is relieved of tax on the Ecclesford property for the year 1899.

It is ordered that the clerk to the board revise the jury box at his earliest convenience.

The following were drawn as jurors for the February term of the Superior Court for 1900:

P. L. Adams, Rockfish; T. M. Bunce, W. R. King, Flea Hill; D. G. Capps, Carvers Creek; J. B. Butler, Grays Creek; J. C. Beard, Beaver Dam; D. J. McPhail, Black River; A. S. Ray, Rockfish; C. D Williams, Grays Creek; L. J. Tew, Black River; M. P. Clark, 71st; A. McArthur, Carvers Creek; John Graham, Black River; John F. Collier, Carvers Creek; W. G. Thornton, John M. Martin, Cross Creek; J. R. Talbout, Gray's Creek; G. F. Rackley, 71st.

The Criminal Court in Session.

The January term of the Criminal Circuit Court convened here Tuesday with Judge Dossey Battle presiding and Solicitor McLean prosecuting. As the Grand Jury is the same as the one last term, of which Mr. W. H. Fisher is foreman, Judge Battle put them to work at once without the preliminary charge.

The following cases were disposed of to-day: Jas. Ward. a. d. w., submitted; E S. Robeson, c. c. w., submitted; Sidney Williams, a. d. w., jury trial, not guilty; Chas. Council, a. d. w.; Jno. Gilliam c. c. w; W. Cheek, a. d. w.; Rob't Burnett, c. c. w., and Geo. Williams, c. c. w; all submitted. The Judge has not passed sentence on any of these cases yet.

WEDNESDAY.

Only one case has been disposed of in the Criminal Court since our issue of yesterday afternoon, that of Robert Lee, who was convicted just before court adjourned yesterday evening of beating his wife and fined the costs in the case. All of to-day has been occupied with the case of Mary James, indicted for stealing a heifer. The case was given to the jury at 4 o'clock.

A Gem.

The reader will find the New Year's discourse of our gifted contributor, Scotch Lassie, a veritable gem. It is entitled "But the Door Stands Ajar."

Home With His Bride.

Lieutenant Alexander Williams arrived home last week with his wife, to whom he was married on the 28th at Davidson College. Mr. B. T. Bryde, brother of the bride, who attended the marriage arrived here Saturday.

Lieutenant and Mrs. Williams will remain here for several days, and then go to Boston and in two weeks will sail for Cuba.

The Twentieth Century.

The reader of the OBSERVER will bear us witness that we have rigorously excluded from its columns all discussion of the terrible Twentieth Century question. This we have done in the interest of peace. We regret to say, however, that some thoughtless persons have forced the OBSERVER'S hand by insisting that it declare itself on the momentous question. We believe, then, that the Twentieth Century begins on January 1, 1901—and may the good angels defend us!

Correction.

In the County Exhibit, to be found on first page of this paper, under item of "Roads," it appears that $25 00 was paid to Capt. A. B. Williams twice, which is a clerical error, as it should appear once only, so the Register of Deeds requests us to state. The reader will make the reduction in the total as well as in the "recapitulation" of this amount. Also, under "insolvent account," it appears that $55 00 was paid to W. H. Flowers, whereas it should be 55 cents.

Fire Monday Night.

An alarm of fire Monday night about 9:30 o'clock, accompanied by the report that the Fayetteville Cotton Mill was burning, caused much excitement and a large crowd, despite the bitter cold, were attracted to that point by the brilliant glare. It proved, however, to be among the factory tenement houses on Lizzard's Island, and before the firemen could get the mastery, working only with a bucket brigade as the nearest hydrant could not be reached, three of the houses were in ashes. The loss is estimated at $550. with $450 insurance.

Police News.

New Year's Day was spent very quietly in Fayetteville and not an arrest was made by the police for disorderly conduct.

Wm. Hopton, colored, was arrested Monday charged with stealing $5 25 from another colored man named Wm. Townsend and will be tried before 'Squire D. N. McLean this afternoon. It seems that Hopton and Townsend have been at dispute some time over this matter and both came to town yesterday to have the matter settled, when Townsend swore out a warrant and had him arrested.

A Bad Accident.

Master Wilbur Lockamy, son of Mr. W. M. Lockamy met with a serious accident at the Holt-Williamson mill last week. He got tangled up in a lapper and suffered a number of bad hurts, his right arm being broken in two places, the muscles torn, and his head and body bruised in a number of places. It is thought that he is not dangerously hurt however and he is resting comfortably to-day.

Death and Burial of Mrs. Raiford.

Mrs. S. J. Raiford died at her home in this city Thursday afternoon, aged 77 years. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. P. D. Woodall, pastor of Campbellton Methodist church and the interment took place in Cross Creek cemetery Friday afternoon. The deceased leaves a number of friends and the following children to mourn their loss: Messrs. Wiley, Ballard, Dock, Gates, and Mrs. Williams.

Death and Burial of Mrs. Hunley.

The remains of Mrs. Cornelia Carter Hunley, relict of the late Thos. Hunley, of this city, who died in Raleigh Friday, were brought here Saturday and the funeral took place Sunday at 12:30 o'clock from the Presbyterian Church, Rev. H. Tucker Graham conducting the services. The deceased lady was 37 years of age.

The following were the pall-bearers: Messrs. R. M. Prior, A. A. McKethan, W. W. Cole, J. A. Steel, B. C. Gorham and W. J. Boone.

Miss Virginia Hunley, (daughter of the deceased,) and Messrs. L. H. Skinner, Augustus Carter and Joe Smith were here to attend the funeral.

Installation of Officers.

At the regular meeting last week of Phœnix Lodge No 8, A. F. & A. M., the following officers were installed by Past Master W. P. Wemyss:

C. H. Williams—W. M.
E. L. Remsburg—S. W.
A. E Dixon—J. W.
I W. Clark—Treasurer.
E. P. Powers—Secretary.
J. A. Barnes—S. D.
C. M. Watson—J. D.
S. J. Guy— } Stewards.
Chas. Kennedy— }
John Johnson—Tiler.
J. G. Oehrl—Marshal.

After the installation exercises Past Master Wemyss gave the retiring Worshipful Master, C. W. Elliott, a surprise by presenting him with a Past Master's apron from the members of the lodge as a token of their appreciation of his services as Master for the past three years. After recovering from his surprise Past Master Elliott thanked the members and assured them he always had the interest of the lodge at heart. Thus ended a very pleasant evening.

L. F. C. is for Littleton Female College, N. C., a school with a "remarkable history" and a Business College Course. Now is the time to enter for Spring work. Special inducements to the first young lady who writes for information. —advt.

One Minute Cough Cure, cures
That is what it was made for.

Married.

Sunday evening 'Squire J. T. McKay united in marriage Mr. C. T. (Bear) Underwood to Miss Nannie Cain, both of Fayetteville.

Local Briefs.

John Stewart, the well known brick mason and a highly respected colored man, died Monday, in the 70th year of his age.

Mr. J. A. Wooden, of White Hall, opened the New Year at Planters Warehouse with five hhds. of tobacco Wednesday morning.

The first marriage license of the year 1900 was granted by the Register of Deeds Tuesday. The couple who enjoyed this distinction were: Mr. Ed. Pope, 18 years of age, and Miss F. V. Atkins, age 17, both of Cross Creek.

Anniversary Christmas Exercises.

The regular annual Christmas exercises for the pleasure of the pupils of the Hay Street Methodist Sunday School were held Monday night at the Sunday School chapel.

Maj. B. C. Gorham, the Superintendent of the school, with a corps of valuable assistants, had previously arranged a unique programme of recitations, singing, etc., to precede the distribution of presents, with Mr. C. D. Sedberry as Santa Claus. The programme in all of its details was carried out to perfection, much to the amusement and pleasure not only of the children but of the parents and friends of the school, who were present. A veritable chimney, built of striped packages of candy and nuts, had been built, representing the "home chimney" down which Santa Claus is presumed to enter the private residences of each household. The roll of the school was then called, and this chimney was torn down, the bricks, with bannanas and apples, being presented to each member of the school as his or her name was called.

The children most actively participating in the exercises were Miss Charlotte McDuffie, who made a pleasing speech of welcome, followed by Master Styles Dixon and Q. K. Nimocks, Miss Mary Helen Sheetz, (solo—very pretty and exquisitely rendered), Master Walter Cook, unique speech, and Miss Mary R. Gorham, a sweet second to the address of welcome by Miss Charlotte McDuffie, admirably delivered.

The occasion throughout was exceedingly enjoyable.

People and their Movements.

From Yesterday's Daily.

Mr. Geo. A. Holderness, of Tarboro, arrived here yesterday afternoon.

Mr. W. J. Blackburn, Manager of Planters Warehouse, has returned from Greensboro, where he spent the holidays.

Mr. J. F. Heard, electrician for the Postal Telegraph Co., is in the city for a few days.

Mr. R. L. Williams returned this morning from Wilmington, where he spent the Christmas holidays.

Mr. Fred Kaiser one of the firm of the Fayetteville Ice Manufacturing Co., is here to spend the New Year with his family.

Miss Alda Jones, of Linden, who has been so ill at the State Normal School, came down from Greensboro today on her way home.

Miss Daisy Baldwin, of Rockingham, is visiting Mrs. Jas. A. King, on Maiden Lane.

Mr. C. R. Taylor, of the A. C. L., left yesterday for Charleston, S. C., to accept a position as engineer on that division of the A. C. L.

Mr. William Walker, of Wilmington, who has been spending the holidays with Mr. Seven Haigh, returned to Wilmington this afternoon.

Master Ben McMillan, who has been spending the Christmas and New Year holidays in Savannah with his uncle, Mr. Thos. McMillan, has returned home.

Mr. T. Hunter McPherson left last night for Dothan, Ala., to join his brother, Mr. Murray McPherson, who is in the turpentine business there with Mr. W. H. Slocomb.

U. S. Senator McLaurin, of South Carolina, and two cousins, Misses George and Carlisle Crossland, took dinner at the "Texas Cafe" Sunday, enroute to Washington, D. C.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Slocomb and little daughter, Eleanor, and Mr. Frank Slocomb, who have been here on a visit to Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Slocomb, returned to Dothan, Ala., last night.

Mr. J. A. Crews, is here probably for the last time representing the Wilmington Messenger, as in a week or two he is to start on his tour around the world, in which he is going to combine business and pleasure.

Miss Carrie Hawley entertained the Green Street Whist Club last evening and everyone spent a most enjoyable time. Mrs. John D. Williams won the progressive whist prize, not losing to a single opponent, and occupying the head table the entire set.

Miss Lillian Slocomb leaves tonight for Helena, Ark., and there and in Kansas and Minnesota she will visit former schoolmates, sailing from St. Louis down the Mississippi, and will return home by Dothan, Ala., where she will visit Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Slocomb, arriving home in time to accompany her father and a party of young ladies of this city to the Paris Exposition.

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Boers are Attacking Gatacre.

Fighting Still Going on at Colesburg.

Buller is Preparing to Advance.

Presidential Appointments—The Bubonic Plague at Manila—McClure, the Publisher, Saves Many Lives—United States Asks England for Restitution.

Bubonic Plague at Manila.

By cable to the Observer.

Manila, January 3rd.—The health officers have found a native with all the symptoms of bubonic plague in a house within the walled city where two deaths, arousing suspicions, have occurred. The patient has been isolated, and every precaution taken to prevent the spread of the disease.

United States Asks for Restitution.

By telegraph to the Observer.

Washington, January 3.—The Administration has no fears that Great Britain will not make full restitution to American shippers of the flour seized in Delagoa Bay, but doubts whether she will go further and admit that the seizure was wrong. The instructions sent Ambassador Choate were formal and nothing of a positive nature will be done until full reports are received from Choate and the American Consul at Lorenzo Marques. The State Department simply instructed Choate to inform the British Government that we could not admit the right of seizure in these cases.

McClure, the Publisher, Saves Great Loss of Life.

By cable to the Observer.

Havre, January 3.—S. S. McClure, the American publisher and proprietor of McClure's Magazine, prevented a panic and serious loss of life during a fire at the hotel Frascatia. Mr McClure had arisen to minister to the wants of his wife, who is ill, when he noted a light in the hallway. Upon investigation he found that a fire had secured a strong headway and gave the alarm. After his wife had been removed to a place of safety, he ran from room to room, warning the occupants. Thanks to his exertions all were saved, but the hotel was destroyed. Forty guests were in the house and but for his prompt alarm their escape would have been cut off.

Still Fighting at Colesburg.

By cable to the Observer.

Naauwport, January 3rd.—There is brisk fighting today in the hills around Colesburg. The Boers stubbornly resisted the British at every point, but gradually retreated. The British hold the extreme position south and east, overlooking the town.

London, January 3.—The war office this afternoon issued a dispatch received from General French under yesterday's date saying that his position was the same as the previous day and that with small reinforcements he could dislodge the Boers from Colesburg. In the meantime he continues manœuvers. The total casualties to the British about Colesburg in the last two days were six killed and twenty wounded.

FIGHTING AT MOLTENO.

Sterkerstroom, January 3rd.—The Boers attacked Molteno this morning. A brisk action is now in progress.

BULLER IS PREPARING TO ADVANCE.

Durban, January 3.—The Boers are entrenching further west, and are also maintaining their positions south of the Tugela. Their trenches now extend eighteen miles along the northern bank of the river. General Buller is preparing to advance.

COMMANDS ENGLISH POSITION.

Berlin, January 3.—It is reported that a British enlisting agent has been arrested at Korbetha, Prussia. At Frere the Boers have mounted cannon which commands the English position.

SMUGGLED ARMS.

Durban, January 3.—Eye witnesses state that fifty cases, said to contain pianos, which were landed at Delagoa Bay last week, really contained Krupp and Creuzot guns.

SHELLING SEVERE.

Pmaritzburg, January 3.—The shelling of Ladysmith has been severe since last week, but the garrison is confident and the mortality is slight.

DELAGOA BAY.

London, January 3.—A Berlin dispatch says that the award in the Delagoa Bay question is being drawn up. It is positively stated that it will be published towards the end of the month.

PILCHER RECEIVED WITH DELIGHT.

Douglas, S. A., January 3.—The loyalist inhabitants of this place received Colonel Pilcher and his men with extraordinary demonstrations of delight. These demonstrations were doubled when it was ascertained that the Canadians and Australians had taken part in the engagement.

In Congress.

By telegraph to the Observer.

Washington, January 3.—The House held a short session to-day. Representative Gaines, Tennessee, rose to a question of personal privilege denouncing an article in the New York World relative to his position in the Roberts' case as false.

PRESIDENTIAL NOMINATIONS.

The President sent the following nominations to the Senate to day: Brig.-Gen. Bates to be Major General. Brig.-Gen. Wheaton to Major General of Volunteers by brevet; to be Brigadier Generals: Young, MacArthur and Ludlow; to be Consuls: Thomas Prentiss, of Massachusetts, at Rouen; Geo. L. Dart, of Pennsylvania, at Patras, Greece; Alonzo C. Yates, of Virginia, at Martinique.

New York Assembly.

By telegraph to the Observer.

Albany, January 3rd.—Lieutenant Governor Woodruff called the Senate to order. Assemblyman Dixon was re-elected speaker. The Governor in his message urges the repeal of the Norton law on the ground that it allows prize fighting.

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Meeting of County Democratic Executive Committee.

In another column will be found a card by Chairman W. W. Huske, calling the Democratic Executive Committee to meet in this city on Friday, January 5th at noon. Matters of great importance are to be discussed at this metting and a full attendance of the committee is desired. The committee is composed of the following:

J. W. Hall, Clay Fork; C. P. Jessup, Starsburg; W. J. Smith, Godwin; A. McBuie, J. B. Underwood, Jr., W. B. Holland, H. L. Cook, J. D. McNeill, H. H. Bolton, W. J. Johnson, J. H. Currie, Fayetteville; W. B. Ray, Carlos; B. T. McBryde, Little River Academy; W. C. Fields, Idaho; Alex. Thaggard, Cedar Creek; Josiah Cook, Wade; J. D. Johnson, Alderman; J. A. Wright, Inverness; J. A. Cameron, Eudon; A. A. Harrington, Hope Mills; John Smith, Roslin; N. M. D. Clark, Argyle.

News of Interest

"Kid" McCoy again placed himself in the championship class by defeating Peter Maher in a brisk, well fought battle of five rounds, before the Coney Island Athletic Club yesterday afternoon. The fight was scheduled to last twenty five rounds and the purse was to have been $20,000.

Fire at Greensboro Sunday caused losses aggregating nearly $100,000, partly covered by insurance. The fire originated in the elavator shaft of the Hague-McCordle dry goods company's wholesale house. The losses are estimated as follows:

Hague-McCorkle dry goods company, $80,000; insurance $55 060.

W. J. Clary, loss $12,500; insurance $6 500.

The damage to the buildings will aggregate $4,000.

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Flour—1st pat., sack,	$2.40@$2.65
Family Flour—2nd pat., sack	$2.00 @ 2.20
Hides—dry—per lb.	8@10
" —green—per lb.	6
Wool—washed	15@20
Bacon—hog round per lb	10
" —ham	11½a13
" —sides—	8½a9
" —shoulders—	9
Oats—32 lbs per bushel	45
Peas—clay	60
" —mixed	60
" —white,	75
Meal—bolted—46 lbs per bushel	52½@55
" —unbolted—46 lbs per bushel	50@55
Corn—old—56 lbs per bushel	50
Onions—select—per bushel	90
Lard—N. C.	8@9
Tallow	4
Ducks	20@25
Hens—per head	22½@25
Roosters—per head	18 a 20
Turkeys—per lb	7½a8
Guineas	none
Geese	25 a 30
Country Butter	25
Hams	12a13
Honey—strained—per lb	8c
Eggs,	15a16
Feathers—new	30 a 40
Potatoes—Irish—new	80a100
Potatoes—Sweet—new	40a45
Pork	5@6

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Mortgage Sale.

Under and by virtue of the power and authority granted in a deed of Mortgage made by R. W. McNeill and wife Susan B. McNeill, recorded in Book T, No. 4, page 224, Register's office of Cumberland county, I shall offer for sale at the Market House in Fayetteville, N. C., on

Monday, February 5th, 1900,

at 12 o'clock M., for cash, a tract of land in Rockfish township, about 2 miles from Fayetteville, adjoining the lands of Ayer, Brewington, Monroe and others being part of the land conveyed to said R. W. McNeill by J. Shaw and wife by deed, registered in Book K, No 3, page 114, of Register's office in said county, excepting that part which said McNeill and wife have heretofore conveyed. This deed conveys about 49 acres more or less lying along and east of Lumberton road.

LAURA P. RAY, Executrix of N W. Ray.

C. W. Broadfoot, Attorney.
January 2nd, 1900.

Mortgage Sale.

Under and by virtue of the power and authority granted in a deed of mortgage made by J. E. Deal and wife, Caroline Deal, recorded in Book P, No. 4 page 440, Register's office of Cumberland county, I shall offer for sale at the Market House in Fayetteville, N. C., on

Monday, February 5th, 1900,

at 12 o'clock M., for cash, two lots on the west side of North street and the road that is in continuation of it near the northern line of Fayetteville, and bounded and described in two deeds to Jane Deal, viz: Zilphie Barkett to Jane Deal, registered in said county, Book H, No. 3, page 603, and Ralph Wooten to Jane Deal, registered in said county in Book C, No 3, page 700; being the two lots at present in possession of J. E Deal and wife Caroline, on which they and Joseph Neal live. Said lots deceased to said J. E. Deal on the death of mother, Jane Deal. LAURA P. RAY. Executrix of N. W. Ray.

C. W Broadfoot, Attorney.
January 2nd, 1900.

Sale of House and Lot.

By virtue of a decree of the Superior Court of Cumberland County N C, made in a special proceeding entitled Ed. C. Smith, Administrator of Eliza Reddick or Powell against Georgiana Reddick *et al*, I will offer for sale, to the highest bidder, for cash, at the MARKET HOUSE in the city of Fayetteville, N. C., on

Saturday, the 3rd day of February,

1900, at 12 o'clock M., the following described lot of land with house thereon, viz: Beginning on the north margin of Hawley street in Fayetteville, 60 links from the canal or flume that leads to what was formerly Blount's Creek factory, and running thence *N.* 11 *W.* 2 chains 50 lin s to a stake, the corner; thence *S* 73 *W* 4 chains 50 links to the bank of Cross Creek; thence with a line, formerly Gee's, now Pemberton's, *S.* 15 *E.* 3 chains to Hawley street, and thence as it is to the beginning, being the same as lot No. 12 of the Blount's Creek factory survey as made by T. J. Robinson and commonly known as Hawley's School House lot, and same as conveyed to Eliza Powell (Reddick) by deed recorded in Book I, No 4, page 40.

ED. C. SMITH, Commissioner.
H. L. Cook, Attorney.
January 2nd, 1900.

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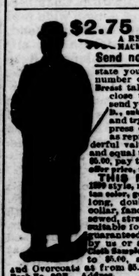

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The Dispensary.

Mr. J. W. Ingold, manager of the Cumberland County Dispensary, turned over to the Treasurer of the county twelve hundred dollars for the benefit of the school fund and a like amount was also turned over to the city Treasurer.

This shows an increase in the net profits of this concern to the amount of twelve hundred dollars more than any previous quarter. This indicates that the manager and directors are making it a success if there is such a thing as a successful dispensary anywhere.

A Fine Banquet.

The members of Phœnix Lodge of Masons, who went to Hope Mills Wednesday to the installation exercises of Lebanon Lodge report a very enjoyable trip. After the installation exercises, which were conducted by Bro. P. M. . A. A. Harrington, Lebanon Lodge and her guests from Phœnix, Cape Fear, Galatia, King Hiram and St. Paul Lodges repaired to the banquet hall at No. 2, where amid beautiful decorations the tables were spread heavily laden with good things for the inner man. After doing full justice to the banquet, which consisted of all the delicacies of the season, Bro. W. M. . S. H. Cotton as toastmaker in his usual happy vein called upon the brethren for speeches, which kept the company together until 12 o'clock, when, after singing "Praise God from whom all blessings flow," and the benediction by Bro. Raynor, all dispersed for home feeling that it was good to have been there.

ONE WHO WAS THERE.

A Lovely Home Wedding.

Mr. Walter G. Hollingsworth and Miss M. C. Murchison were united in marriage at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Murchison on Winslow street last Wednesday at 8:30 o'clock, Rev. H. Tucker Graham, pastor of the Presbyterian church officiating. It was a lovely home wedding, the bride and groom being surrounded by their relatives and chosen friends, and attended by the following young couples: Mr. Will Davis and Miss Kate Phillips; Mr. Walter Campbell and Miss Lilly Murchison; Mr. Duncan Murchison and Miss Cora Amos. The bride entered the parlor with Miss Nellie Hollingsworth, maid of honor, and the groom from the opposite door, on the arm of his best man Mr. Alton Murchison. After the ceremony the guests were seated to a table bountifully ladened with delicacies and fruits, where good cheer reigned until a late hour.

Mr. Hollingsworth is employed by the Southern Railroad at Greensboro as car inspector and his charming bride is a great favorite in a large circle of friends.

The nineteenth century will dawn with a peculiarly brilliant lustre for this young couple, and we trust that they may live to spend a great part of it in happiness and prosperity.

The 71st Tournament—A Most Interesting Contest.

The Thirteenth Annual 71st Tournament took place Wednesday at noon. The judges were: Messrs J. M. Owens, W. W. Gaddie and Ed. Vaughn.

Contesting Knights.—J. T. Rackley, Knight of Cumberland; W. H. Owens, Knight of Forest; A. B. Tillinghast, Knight of Ivanhoe; Alton Vaughn, Knight of Plank Road; James McPherson, Knight of Cross Creek; Hunter McPherson, Knight of Chicken Road; N. L. McArthur, Knight of Seventy First; J. DeR. Pearce, Knight of Hay, Street; R. S. Pearce, Knight of Bordeaux.

Successful Knights.—Knight of Hay Street; Knight of Bordeaux; Knight of Plank Road.

The Queen of Love and Beauty was Miss May Bell Martin of Red Springs Seminary.

The 1st Maid of Honor was Miss Janie McPherson; the 2nd Maid of Honor was Miss Mary McPherson.

The boquets were delivered by W. A. Tillinghast in a few chivalric words.

On account of the weather the crowd was not as large as usual. The coronation ball took place at the delightful home of Mr. G. T. Rackley at night.

Story of a Slave.

To be bound hand and foot for years by the chains of disease is the worst form of slavery. George D. Williams, of Manchester, Mich., tells how such a slave was made free. He says: "My wife has been so helpless for five years that she could not turn over in bed alone. After using two bottles of Electric Bitters, she is wonderfully improved and able to do her own work." This supreme remedy for female diseases quickly cures nervousness, sleeplessness, melancholy, headache, backache, fainting and dizzy spells. This miracle working medicine is a godsend to weak, sickly, rundown people. Every bottle guaranteed. Only 50 cents. Sold by B. E. Sedberry & Son, druggists.

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Our Congressman Hard at Work.

At the head of its column of "Minute Talks with Members," the Washington Post of Wednesday contains the following:

"Way back in the 30's the government established a splendid arsenal at Fayetteville in my State," observed Representative Charles R. Thomas, a new member from Newbern, N. C., yesyerday. "In those times the Fayetteville Arsenal was one of the best in the country, and ranked in importance with the arsenals at Watervliet and Springfield. This continued down to the time of the civil war, during which it was captured by the Confederates, used by them for awhile, and then fell into the hands of the Federals, who used it as a storage arsenal. Not long after the peace of Appomattox, the arsenal was entirely abolished.

"This historic locality should be made the site of a new and improved structure," added Mr. Thomas. "There are good reasons for such action. The South has almost no government arsenals, and that section should have some part in the manufacture of equipments for the army. I know they say that with rapid transportation there is little need for arsenals all over the country. But Fayetteville is splendidly situated for transportation by water or land."

Representative Thomas comes from a Congressional family, being the son of Judge Charles R. Thomas, who was a member of the Forty second and the Forty-third Congresses. The son is not a stranger in Washington, for he received part of his education here.

"I have introduced twelve bills this session," said he, as he ran over the titles of them, "but I don't know how many will ever get out of committee and through the House. Among them is a bill to erect a life-saving station at Bogue Inlet, N. C; a bill to put a clock on the public building at Newbern, at an expense of $5,000, and a bill to magadamize the road to the National Cemetery at Newbern."

Mr. Thomas's references on the Fayetteville arsenal are just and show intelligent study of the matter. We may correct it in one particular: the arsenal was made an "arsenal of construction" just before the war, and part of the machinery therefor had arrived and was in place when it was captured by order of Governor Ellis in April, 1861. After the capture of Harper's Ferry by the Confederates, the immense stores of arms-constructing machinery captured there were moved to the Fayetteville arsenal, numbers of new buildings were erected, and rifles of the best kind were turned out in large numbers every month. When Sherman's army captured Fayetteville on the 12th day of March, 1865, that general caused the whole vast array of buildings and plant to be burned, and the walls which refused to fall from the action of the fire to be battered down, then and there. Subsequently the government (the United States government) sold the property to private parties.

The Passing of "Nix."

A year ago this paper proudly chronicled one of the street achievements of Dr. H. W. Lilly's "Nix," in which that highly esteemed public character, exercising one of his inalienable canine prerogatives, possessed of himself an abstracted boy's Washington pie, to the admiration of a multitude of onlookers. "Nix" is gone, crowned with the trophies and triumphs of an eventful dog life of sixteen years, passing away even amid the fizz of the rockets and the boom of the cannon of Christmas merry making.

Peace to his bones—than which there was little else left when he breathed his last. If there, perchance, be a place set apart for dogs who knew their rights in this world, and, knowing, dared maintain; who, while they demanded a full platter three times a day in private life, presented to the last the unassailable dignity of a cur of high degree in the public eye—in a favored spot in that merciful reservation Nix now rests.

Nicholas infelix, vale!
Non a fortitudine excelsioribus
Sed rebus fortunae angustis superatus es.
Vale! Vale!

India's Greatest Potentate With England.

By cable to the Observer.)

Calcutta, December 28.—Replying to a toast at a Banquet last night Nizam Hyderada, the greatest Mohammedan Potentate in India said his purse and sword were ever ready to defend the British empire. Maharajah Gwallar has requested an appointment on Roberts staff. He offered to send a transport with native troops and horses to fight in South Africa.

Fighting in the Philippines.

By cable to the Observer.

Manila, Dec. 28th.—Colonel Lockett and a force of the Eleventh cavalry attacked one thousand insurgents in the Montalbin mountains, the scene of many defeats and after three hours bombardment the enemy were dislodged and scattered to the northeast. Five Americans were wounded. It is reported that the insurgent paper Independencia has been resuscitated and is being printed in a mountain cave.

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By cable to the Observer.

Modder River, December 28.—The troops are confident and are eager to attack the Boers again. It appears that the Boer clergymen at the religious services after the battle of Magersfontein moralized on the close formation of the Highland brigade, which enabled the Boers to inflict such damage. The preachers generally spoke on the theme: "Whom God wishes to destroy he first makes mad."

The Plague at Honolulu.

By cable to the Observer.

Victoria, Dec'r 28.—The steamer Aorangi arrived today from Australia. She did not stop at Honolulu owing to the existence of the plague there. She reported three deaths among the sailors on the Japanese vessel.

Boers Activity Increased at Ladysmith—Big Guns Heard at Colenso.

By cable to the Observer.

Ladysmith, Dec'r 23.—The Boers shelling has greatly increased in the last few days. Their twelve pounder on the Kopje west of the town which was silenced by a sortie, is active again and one shell killed one private and wounded several others. Several other shells wounded soldiers. Big guns firing in the direction of Colenzo are heard every day.

THE CASUALTIES AT LADYSMITH.

The casualties since the siege began have been 70 killed and 225 wounded. Apparently the Boers will not make an assault but will try and starve out the garrison.

KRUGER'S PRICE OF PEACE.

Durban, December 29th.—Winston Churchill says that Kruger's price of peace is a guarantee of Transvaal independence, an indemnity of one hundred millions, the possession of Natal and Kimberley, and all that part of Cape Colony, now occupied by his troops.

South African News.

London, Dec'r 29.—Despatches from all parts of South Africa emphasize great enthusiasm among the troops and public over the appointment of Roberts and Kitchener. The latter will be chief of staff. It has lately dispelled the depression in Cape Colony on account of recent reverses while soldiers anticipate everything from the presence "Bobs." Advices from Capetown on the 24th state that an investigation shows that the reported disaffection among the Dutch in the west district is overdrawn.

A Million Dollar Fire In Chicago.

By telegraph to the Observer.

Chicago, December 30.—Fire this morning destroyed a seven story building and two adjoining buildings. The loss, which was mostly wholesale firms, is a million. The cold was intense and the firemen were hampered by the hose and ladders being covered with ice.

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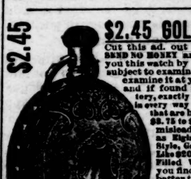

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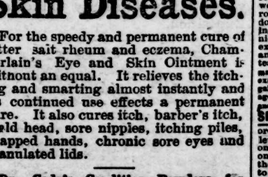

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Administrator's Notice

Having this day qualified as administrator of the estate of Cynthia A. McKethan, deced, notice is hereby given to all persons holding claims against said estate to present them, properly authenticated, to the undersigned, on or before the 28th day of November, 1900. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment

DANIEL McKETHAN,
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By virtue of the power and authority given by a certain deed of mortgage, executed by D. G. McLellan, Executor, which is recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Cumberland County in Book D, No. 5 page 160, the following property will be exposed to sale by public auction, viz:

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Having this day qualified as administratrix of the estate of Flora A. McPherson, deceased, I hereby notify all persons holding claims against said estate to present them to me, duly authenticated, on or before the 22nd day of November, 1900, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate are notified to come forward and make immediate settlement.

ISABELLA McP. MONROE,
H. L. Cook, Attorney. Administratrix.

Administratrix Notice.

Having this day duly qualified as administratrix of the estate of Needham F. Holmes, deceased I hereby notify all persons holding claims against said estate to present them to me, duly authenticated, on or before the 13th day of December, 1900.

This 13th day of December 1899.

EDITH A. HOLMES,
Z. B. Newton, Administratrix.
Attorney.

NORTH CAROLINA, } In the
Cumberland County. } Superior Court.

Marian A. Williams }
vs. } Notice.
Joseph A. Williams }

The defendant above named will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Cumberland County, the purpose of the same being to obtain a dissolution of the bonds of matrimony existing between the plaintiff and defendant; and the said defendant will further take notice that he is required to appear at the next term of the Superior Court of said county, to be held on the second Monday before the first Monday in March 1900, at the Court House in Fayetteville, N. C., in said county, and answer or demur to the complaint filed in said action, or the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded therein

This 7th day of December 1899.

A. A. McKETHAN,
Clerk of the Superior Court.
H. L. Cook, Attorney.

NORTH CAROLINA, } In the
Cumberland County. } Superior Court.

John Hall }
vs. } Notice of action.
Nora Hall. }

The defendant will take notice:

That the plaintiff has commenced an action against her for divorce from the bonds of matrimony according to the demands of his complaint this day filed.

The defendant is commanded to appear at the next term of the Superior Court to be held for the County of Cumberland, at the Court House in Fayetteville, N. C., on the 2nd Monday before the first Monday in March, 1900, and plead, answer or demur to the complaint, or judgment will be had against her for the relief demanded therein.

Witness my hand and seal this 5th December, 1899. A. A. McKETHAN, Clerk S. C.

December 5-6w

NORTH CAROLINA } In the Superior Court
Cumberland County. } before A. A. McKethan C. S. Court.

Mary B. Thames et al. vs. D. B. Culbreth, Sarah Spearman, Alice Spearman et al.

The defendants, Sarah Spearman and Alice Spearman above named, will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Cumberland County, before the Clerk, for a partition for the sale of the lands of the late Edward Spearman and wife, Mary E. Spearman, among their several heirs as their respective interest may show, the said lands situate in Gray's Creek Township, said county and State, and known as the Edward Spearman home place; and the said defendants will further take notice that they are required to appear before the Clerk of the Superior Court of said county and State, at his office in the city of Fayetteville at 12 o'clock M., on the 13th day of February, 1900, and answer or demur to the petition of the plaintiffs in said action, or the plaintiffs will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in their petition.

This December 22, 1899

A. A. McKETHAN,
Clerk of the Superior Court.

H. L. Cook, } Attorneys.
D. T. Oates, }

NORTH CAROLINA, } In Superior Court
Cumberland Co. } Before the Clerk.

Elizabeth P. Smith vs. Edward Smith, Jas Smith, Frank H. Smith, Chalmors Smith, Herbert Smith, Wright Smith, Maud Smith, Josephine Plummer and Husband, Willie Kirkpatrick and husband and others.

The defendants above named will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Cumberland county, based upon the petit on of the plaintiff to have dower allotted her in the lands of her late husband, W. D Smith, deceased; and the said defendants will further take notice that they are required to appear at the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Cumberland county on the 18th day of January, 1900, and answer the complaint of the plaintiff, or the relief therein demanded will be granted.

This 11th day of December, 1899.

A. A. McKETHAN, C. S. C.
Cumberland county.

Dissolution of Copartnership.

Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing under firm name of E. J. House & Co., doing business at Wade N. C., has this day been dissolved by mutual consent. H. A. McPhail alone is authorized to settle the old business of the firm.

December 19th, 1899.

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E. J. HOUSE,
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You are hereby called to meet in Fayetteville at 12 o'clock Friday, January 5th, 1900 Business of importance will come before this meeting. I therefore ask a full attendance and beg every member of the committee to be present.

W. W. HUSKE
Chairman.

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Ar Florence	7 25	2 34			
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